



# Lake City Secondary School

## October 2024 Newsletter

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### Important Dates

- Oct. 3 Photo Retakes
- Oct. 14 Thanksgiving (no school)
- Oct. 23 Parent-Teacher night
- Oct. 25 Pro-D Day (no school)
- Oct. 28 PAC Meeting
- Oct. 28- Provincial Assessments
- Nov. 5
- Nov. 8 Term 1 ends
- Nov. 8 Remembrance Day Assembly
- Nov. 11 Remembrance Day (No School)
- Nov. 13- Early Dismissal
- Nov. 14
- Nov. 21 Term 1 Report cards Sent home
- Nov. 25 Pro-D Day

The first month of school has flown by and students should be back into the routine of school. We have lots of new students this year and our school is very full with approximately 830 students spread out from Grades 10-12. Counselors did a great job adjusting schedules and getting students into classes but there is very little room for movement so very few course change requests will be accommodated now.

**Newsletters.** School newsletters will be emailed out at the beginning of each month and posted to the school district website. We also have a Facebook page that I would encourage you to join as it is used regularly and has very timely news. Please check verification forms and send back with any changes so we have up to date information.



**Student Verification Forms** – Student verification forms will be handed out to all students in early September. Please go over the information listed and make changes as needed. All forms should be signed and returned to the school as soon as possible. It is vital we get these forms returned so we have accurate contact information for all students. Please ensure the media release form and the Indigenous self-identification form is completed and returned as well.

***Classes that get 100% of their forms returned will win a free pizza lunch***

**Parent Teacher Night** – This year, Parent Teacher Night will be held on Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 5-7pm. This is a great opportunity to come meet teachers and get an update on your child's progress. If you can't make it to Parent Teacher Night, please reach out to teachers through email anytime throughout the school year.

**F** **Breakfast for Learning** - our school offers quick and simple breakfast food options to get the day going from 8:05am-8:30am every morning. Options include toast, fruit, yogurt, granola bars and tea. This grab and go breakfast opportunity is free and open for all students.

**O** **Snacks** – healthy snacks are available to all students at no charge during breaks and in most classes.

**D** **Lunch** – Each day there are lunch options students can purchase at a discounted price. Options could include taco salads, pasta, soup, sandwiches, hot dogs, pizza and more! If students are hungry but have no money they just need to let the office know and we will ensure they are fed.

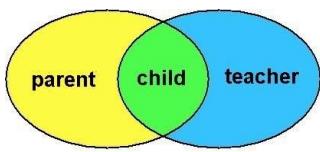
### **Code of conduct**

Our School Code of Conduct is a living document that we continually amend and adapt to ensure our school is safe and student expectations are clear. This year, we added a section around the use of Digital Devices. Studies have shown that students cannot learn when they are distracted by phones and other devices so no digital devices are permitted in classes or during instructional time. Students who cannot meet these expectations will have their phone taken away until the end of class.

[LCSS Code of Conduct 2024-25](#)

### **Calling in Absences**

At Lake City Secondary we feel regular attendance is a crucial component of academic performance. Students are expected to be on time and attend every class. If students are ill or cannot attend for other reasons, **it is up to the parent or guardian to notify the School Messenger system** at 1 (833) 582-6944, using the phone app, website login or calling the school. <https://go.schoolmessenger.com> All undocumented absences will be considered unexcused and may result in consequences. Poor attendance may result in a file review.



**Parent Advisory Council:** A strong relationship between the school and parents is very important in a child's education, and one way of being involved with the school is to be a member of the PAC. Big thanks to all the parents who showed up to our first meeting and shout out to our new PAC executive. All parents are invited to attend Lake City Secondary PAC meetings. The meetings are usually held on the third Monday of each month in the Library

**NEXT MEETING: Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 in the LCS Library**



**Student of the Week** is selected by a different staff member each week based on positive actions of the students that contribute to our school's culture. Each teacher chooses their own criteria under a theme of the Indigenous Circle of Courage: Belonging, Mastery, Independence and/or Generosity. Student of the Week pictures will be posted on our Facebook page and in the WL Tribune.

**Student Photo Retakes** – is **Thursday October 3<sup>rd</sup>** for any students who need retakes or missed getting their picture taken the first time. If a student likes their first picture (from seeing their ID card), but did not order a package then, they can come see Steeve (Photographer), give him the order package and tell him they want the picture from the first picture day.



If a student does not like their first picture, they can get retakes. If they already paid for a package, **they must bring those photos back** on retake day and give them to the photographer in order to get the new retakes. Absolutely no free retakes for students who chose to dress inappropriately their first photos. They must pay for another photo package.

Order forms and payment must be given directly to the photographer on retake day. We **cannot** accept them at the office.

**Volunteering at the School** – All volunteers volunteering their time to support school events must have a criminal record check completed before they start helping out. This includes driving students, dry grad, coaching, helping in a classroom, etc. To apply online go to the link below and enter the password:

Online Link: <https://justice.gov.bc.ca/criminalrecordcheck>

Lake City Secondary Access Code: **3RMX4S4KYY**



**Grad 2025 – LCSS** Graduation Ceremony is June 13<sup>th</sup> and dry grad is June 14<sup>th</sup>. This year's dry grad committee is just getting organized, so the first meeting date is still to be determined. As always lots of volunteers will be needed to pull off another great dry grad!

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**Post Secondary Institute Fair** – October 9, 1pm – 3pm in the Lake City Secondary Commons. Great opportunity for students to connect with representatives from many different universities. Excellent information about programs, tuition fees and admissions.

**Grad Council** - trip to Gavin Lake October 15 & 16. Any interested Grade 12s are welcome to attend, help plan school-based activities for your grad class this year! Permission forms in the Career Centre, \$30 for the trip.

## School Sports Teams and Clubs



Sports teams, and other student extracurricular activities will be up and running. Students are asked to listen carefully to announcements for information. Sports teams include: Rugby, Soccer, Volleyball, Wrestling, Basketball, Badminton and Track and Field. School clubs include Vibe City, Model UN, Student Voice, Enviro, and 'Greenologists'. Many others may develop – keep your ears open 😊



## Musical Theater – Matilda

A group of students have organized the musical 'Matilda' and are looking for other interested students to rehearse for parts. Everyone is encouraged and welcome to audition for part and new members are always welcome. Rehearsals will take place twice a week throughout Semester 1 with several performances happening in January!!

*Lake City Secondary acknowledges that our school is located on the unceded territory of the Northern Secwepemc where we are honoured to live, laugh and learn.*